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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re	Application of:)				
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) :	Group Art Unit: 2622			
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A Notice Of Allowance issued in the above-identified application on January 13, 2004. The issue fee has not yet been paid, and a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed concurrently herewith.

Preliminary to continued examination, please amend the above-identified application in the following manner. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing beginning on page 2, and the Remarks begin at page 17.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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INDEP. CLAIMS	* 4	MINUS	*** 5	= 0	x \$43 \$86	\$0
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